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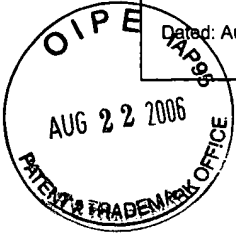
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 19 June 2006, time for response to which was set to expire 19 September 2006. As this response is submitted within two months of the mailing date of the final rejection, expedited treatment is requested.

Applicants appreciate the consideration provided their undersigned representative at an interview concerning this case on 7 August 2006. The discussion was extremely helpful, and it appears that it will now be possible to identify the real issues. Applicants wish to express their thanks to Examiners Sang and Helms for conducting this interview.

All pending claims, claims 1-2 and 5-11, were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, both as written and as discussed, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.